

Stokes Succeeds

Gen. Wright Assigned to Fort Ord

Major General Edwin K. Wright, commanding general of the Military District of Washington, was named commanding general of the Sixth Infantry division at Fort Ord, Calif. by the Army Tuesday.



He will be succeeded here by a Washingtonian, Maj. Gen. John H.

Gen. Wright Stokes, Jr., now on the Review Board council in the office of the Army Secretary at the Pentagon.

Wright, 55, head of the Military District here since April, 1952, had earlier been deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency from 1946 to 1949.

With the Military District, Wright served on planning committees of the Board of Trade and Greater National Capital Committee, and was active in the American Red Cross, Community Chest, Boy Scouts and other civic organizations.

He will assume command of the Sixth Division about May 3. Wright is a veteran infantry officer, having enlisted in the Oregon National Guard in 1930. For a time during World War II he was chief of the armored section of the Twelfth Army group in Europe.

Stokes, a native of Freehold, N. J., is 58. He was graduated from high school here and received his commission as second lieutenant of Infantry in 1918 after graduating from West Point.

During World War II he served with the Second Division in Europe from 1943 until the end of hostilities. He returned to Europe in 1951 as assistant chief of staff for plans and operations of the Allied Forces in Southern Europe.

Stokes and his wife, Marion, have one child.